

# Operation Iraqi Freedom: **COTA SGT does outstanding job during deployment**

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SGT Brian Christman, COTA, deployed to the CENTCOM Theater of Operations in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom from 10 Mar 03 to 02 Oct 03. He was assigned to the 47<sup>th</sup> CSH, a 296 bed CP-DEPMEDS Combat Support Hospital, designated as the theater evacuation point. SGT Christman offered OT guidance and performed OT treatments. He also used his 91W skills in administering nursing care on a 20 bed Neuro-Psychiatric Unit in a combat environment. SGT Christman also functioned as the enlisted team leader and directed the delivery of nursing care and force protection for his fellow staff. As the enlisted team leader, he appointed nursing care assignments and assisted with admission and discharge procedures for the unit. SGT Christman is currently working at MAMC and has reenlisted for an assignment in Germany this Spring. We acknowledge and thank him for his support of our troops and our country.